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## **KC MAN INDICTED FOR SHOOTING AT MAILMAN**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for shooting at his neighborhood's mailman.

**Brian K. Handley**, 39, of Kansas City, was charged in a two-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Handley** assaulted a U.S. Postal Service letter carrier with a firearm on Nov. 18, 2005. **Handley** allegedly shot at the carrier while he was delivering mail along his route.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Handley** used a firearm to commit a crime of violence.

**Handley** was arrested later the same afternoon of the alleged shooting, following a brief shoot-out with police officers. After cordoning off the area, Graves said, several police officers approached **Handley's** home. As **Handley** exited the house, one of the officers shot him with a Taser; **Handley** drew a weapon and fired at the officer. Police officers returned fire, and **Handley** retreated back into the house. He surrendered a short time later and was transported to an area hospital for treatment for gunshot wounds in both hands and in his chest.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment is simply an accusation, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney K. Michael Warner. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the U.S. Postal Inspection Service.

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